

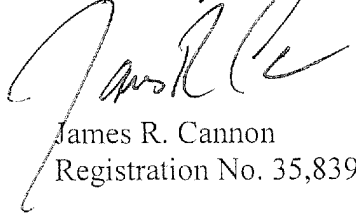
REMARKS

At the time of the Action, Claims 1-20 were pending. Claims 14, 16 and 17 were indicated to recite allowable subject matter but stand rejected as depending on a rejected base claim. Claim 1 has been amended above to recite the subject matter of canceled Claim 14, and Claim 15 has been amended to recite the subject matter of canceled Claim 16, so both of these claims should now be allowable. New Claim 21 recites the subject matter of canceled Claim 17 and should also be allowable.

Applicant has also attached replacement sheets for Figures 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13. Specifically, Figures 6, 8 and 12 have been revised to omit the word "NanoFocus AG".

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

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